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IT MAY be that Uncle Joe Millard may be able to more personally appreciate the statement that a prophet is often not without honor-save in his own state. He is mentioned as a possible secretary of the treasury under Presi-

dent-to-be Taft.

THE complete official count in Nebraska shows the election of the followin g men, by the pluralities given, to the various state offices: Governor-Shallenberger, D., 5,890. Lieu't Governor-Hopewell, R., 302. Secretary of State -Junkin, R., 1,763. Treasurer-Brian, R., 3,388. Auditor-Barton, R., 4,210. State Superintendent - Bishop, R., 3,827. Attorney General - Thompson, R., 4.772. Land Commissioner-Cowles, R., 1,903. Railway Commissioner -Cowgill, D., 651.

PUBLIC LIBRARY NOTES.

* several books which will be of interest enjoyment in a spirit of comradeship. and large helpfulness to many readers. Those who are already working with electrical apparatus, those who wish to make a study of the science of electricity, and those who merely wish to be better informed concerning this great motive force of the age, will find a resourceful supply of material for study and reference in the Library.

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The new books received this week have been recommended by Prof. Geo. H. Morse, head of the Department of Electrical Engineering of the State University, as especially adapted to the needs of the Library. They are "The Electric Motor" by Edwin J. Houston, "Practical Illumination" by J. R. Cravath and V.R.Lansingh, "Electrical Engineering Leaflets," three volumes. elementary, intermediate and advanced, by Edwin J. Houston, and "The Intellectual Rise in Electricity" by Park Benjamin.

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The Battle of the Politicians

Stories of Some of the Figures In the Campaign. Daniel J. Keefe's Difference With Gompers. Jo

The Way E. W. Townsend Happened to Write "Chimmie Fadden" and How He Got Into Politics.

NET, who succeeded T. Coleman du Pont as director of the Republican speakers' bureau, represents the Seventeenth New York district in the house and is a leading member of the Empire State delegation in the lower branch of the national legislature. He has had experience in the fields of law and journalism and has served in a number of public posts. Born in Port Jervis, N. Y., in 1870, he attended the Port Jervis academy as a youth and, graduating in



W. S. BENNET.

1889, went from it to the Albany Law school, from which three years later he received the degree of LL, B. For a time he was on the staff of the Port Jervis Gazette, but for sixteen years has practiced law, fifteen years of that time in New York city. He was married in 1896 to Miss Gertrude Witschief. He has been a member of the New York assembly and a justice of the municipal court of the city of New

Indiana is not the only state in which literary men take to politics, New Jersey is another, and the latest author to break into politics is Edward W. Townsend, who wrote "Chimmie Fadden" and who lives in Montclair. He has been nominated for congress on the Democratic ticket.

It was about fourteen years ago that Mr. Townsend, then a reporter on the New York Sun, was assigned to write a story about a mission where some women were giving a dinner to tenement house children. The Sun man during the meal noticed a young lady who seemed to be on pretty good terms This week the Library has received with the boys and entering into their She noticed that the pie was disappearing rapidly, and, leaning over, she said to one boy:

"Would you like another piece if I can sneak it?"

His eyes brightened as she brought it and placed it before him with a confidential whisper as if he were not to tell. Then what did the urchin do but lean over and kiss her hand. "It may be he had seen a courtier do it on some Bowery stage," said Mr. Townsend afterward, "but I think it was just his own natural tribute."

That was the reporter's first insight into Bowery character, and from the



EDWARD W. TOWNSEND.

incident grew the immortal "Chimmie." The latter was evolved in a series of "Sunday specials."

"Hunt up the little Bowery chap you er the first sketch appeared, "and give ing desertion. Colonel Tucker is as-

He did, and the series took so well that they were published in book form soon afterward and 100,000 copies were sold in a short time. The story take a day off? Second Office Boy- doesn't hate her; he simply hates to was dramatized and had a very suc- Naw; only when I fixes de calendar think of the way she got into his famcessful run on the stage. Several vol- in de office.

ONGRESSMAN W. S. BEN- | times have come from Mr. Townsend's pen since then, but he is still known as "the author of 'Chimmie Fadden.' '

Mr. Townsend is now fifty-three, and his home is on the most fashionable street of Montclair. His latest works do not deal in Bowery slang. To a visitor recently he said:

"Just quote me as saying that my best selling book is not 'Chimmie Fadden.' Just look at this title. This is my best seller."

And the slang politician held out a volume whose gilt letters said: "Our Constitution-Why and How It Was Made, Who Made It and What

Daniel J. Keefe, who disagrees with Samuel Gompers in his policy respecting union labor and politics, is president of the International Longshoremen's association. He was appointed with Mr. Gompers and others prominent as employers or organizers of labor as a member of the industrial peace committee established when President Roosevelt constituted his Nobel peace prize money a fund to be used by such a committee. An inci-

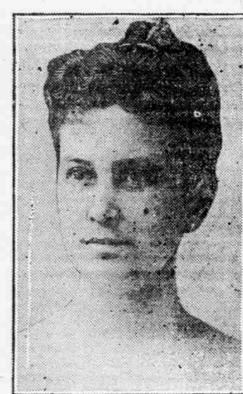
dent of the campaign has been the controversy over the position taken by Mr. Keefe in support of Judge Taft for the presidency, the assertion having been made that he was induced to favor the Republican candidate by the offer from President Roosevelt of an important federal

office, Mr. Keefe denied that any such offer had been made him. The International Longshoremen's association is a powerful organization in the cities on the great lakes, and Mr. Keefe occupies a position of influence in the American Federation of Labor.

MRS. WILLIAM F. TUCKER.

Daughter of General Logan and Her Domestic Troubles.

There are some points of resemblance between the Hains case, which is now engaging the attention of the New York criminal courts, and the Tucker case, a sensational incident in



MRS. WILLIAM F. TUCKER. The troubles in the Hains family arose almost gay when the sun shines upon through Captain P. C. Hains' absence | its red roofs." on duty in the Philippines and the opportunity this gave for misunderstandings between him and his wife. The trouble between the Tuckers also came about from Colonel William F. Tacker's absence on duty in the faroff islands now part of the percentions of the United States. Mrs. Turker, who is a daughter of the late General John A. Logan, became suspicious that an other woman was trying to steal her husband's affections while he was engaged in his work as an army officer many thousands of miles away from his wife. The made an ampli when to the war department for an investigation of Colonel Tucker's conduct at Manila. Cadinarily the department does not take up any question of do mestic infall ity pertaining to mem bers of the army, but in this lastance partly on account of representations made by the widew of General Legan. Judge Taft, who was then secretary. referred the matter to the inspector general of the army for inquiry. Recently, while Colonel Tucker was on his way from Michigan to the government hospital at Hot Springs, Ark., where Secretary Wright had ordered him for treatment, he was arrested on wrote about," said the city editor aft- a warrant obtained by his wife chargus some more about him." On Mr. sistant paymaster general of the army, rejoined, "Well, imagine some more Washington society, was a noted social dinner ready in time." event of the time.

Had to Fix Calendar.

Price Never Changed.

The Rev. Simon Turple was an eloquent speaker, but he seemed to have a list of sermons which, when he once began, he went right through to the end and then started at the first sermon again, and so on.

A young man in the congregation was about to leave for South Africa, but the Sunday before he departed he attended the church service.

In the course of his lecture the minister used an illustration in which were the words, "A man can easily purchase two sparrows for threepence."

The young man, after being absent for about three years, returned and again on the first opportunity attended divine service. Strange to say, he beard the same narrative by the same minister, the phrase striking him most being about the "two sparrows for threepence."

At the close of the service the minister, in his courtesy, came and shook hands with the youth and, welcoming him back to his home, asked him if he noticed any changes about the place.

The young man, evidently quite unconcerned, replied, "Aye, man, there's two or three changes, but there's yin thing I can see-the price o' sparrows is ave at the same auld figger."-Glasgow News.

New Use For Wheelbarrows. Mrs. Zelia Nuttall, the archaeologist, was making some excavations in Mexico. The Indians were removing the earth some distance from the point of excavation in the customary mannerthat is, on a piece of coarse cloth tied between two poles, stretcher fashion, carried by two Indians. This method seemed rather laborious to Mrs. Nuttall, so she ordered several fron wheel-

barrows from the city. When they

arrived she turned them over to the

foreman after explaining to him what

they were for and how to use them. Next day when she visited the work the Indians had discarded their primitive parihuelas and were using the bright new wheelbarrows. As each barrow was filled with earth it was picked up by two Indians, one using the handles and the other the wheel, and carried to the place where the earth was to be deposited. All efforts to get the Indians to use the wheelbarrows properly failed, and they kept on carrying them until the work was

Alphabet of the Playhouse.

"We keep learning things all the time," said an infrequent theater goer. "I stopped in front of a theater the other day to buy a ticket of a speculator, and I asked him if he had a good single near the front.

"'Here's one in O,' he said, 'thirteenth row, third seat from the aisle.' "Now, you know, I don't carry the relative positions of the letters of the alphabet in my mind all the time. 1 have to work for a living and have other things to think of. But it struck me that O must be farther down the which attracted notice a short time line than thirteen, and so I just countago, the wife in the latter instance ed up the letters on my finger tips, and causing the arrest of the husband. I made O come fifteenth, and I said so to the ticket man, but that didn't wor-

> "There's no A in this theater,' he said, 'and there's no I in any orchestra in town."

> "And, having my finger tip figuring thus handily knocked out, I bought the ticket."-Washington Post.

The Surprise of Slivnitsa. "I have never quite made out," says a writer in "Near East," "why the plain of Slivnitsa has come to be regarded as the scene of one of the great decisive battles of the world's history. It did not even decide the Servo-Bulgarian war in 1885. That was decided by Austria intervention. The battle of Slivnitsa is really only remarkable for the comical fact that both sides thought they were defeated. and while Milan of Servia was hurrying home in confusion Alexander of Bulgaria galloped all the way back to his capital before he learned that the tide had turned. Nowadays the village looks sleepy enough, poor and dirty, like most Bulgarian villages, but

Harsh Music.

The politician caught with the goods was counseled by his friends to stay and face the music. For an instant he listened to the

clamor of denunciation. "Great Scott," he exclaimed impatiently, "do you call that music?" A moment later he was out of hear-

How Rows Begin.

"Hubby, I dreamed last night that you didn't love me.' "How foolish you are!"

"Foolish, am I? As if I could help what I dream about!" And the fracas was on.-Louisville Courier-Journal.

What Kept Him.

ing.—Philadelphia Ledger.

"Why couldn't you have come home at a reasonable hour?" remarked an nor kills, but trousers - L. mion Year angry wife to her spouse, "Could, m'dear, jes easy as not, but I-hic-was waitin' fer you t' go t'

shleep!" replied the delinquent.

Soon Gets Over It. "What is the honeymoon, pa?" "Well, the honeymoon is the only

period in a man's life during which he Townsend's replying, "He's just an and his marriage to General Logan's considers it funny to come home and imaginary character," the city editor daughter, then a popular member of find that his dear little wife hasn't

The Means to the End.

Mrs. Benham-Why does a man hate First Office Boy-Do you ever git to his mother-in-law? Benham-Oh, he lly .- Harper's Weekly.

The Pole Star.

Ursa Major and Ursa Minor are known also as the triones and as the Greater Wain and the Lesser Wain. It is curious to note that the larger constellation was given the figure of the bear by the Arabs and by the Iroquois red men. The assumed forms are ordinarily fanciful, and the identity of the names in this instance affords food for speculation. Homer uses both bear and wain (wagon) in his references to what is being done in all other large these stars. It is evident that the cities in the country, Hon. Seaborn name bear was a translation from Wright, prohibition general of Georsome original Aryan language, as the constellation is called in Sanskrit riksha, a word that in different gencourse the polar star in the tail of Ursa national W. C. T. U. convention that ders means both a bear and a star. Of Minor is the constellation's point of the whole license system was only the glory. In this case we may say fairly old, old effort to get money out of that the tail wags the dog, because the evil modernized and served with poligroup of stars was once called the ties. dog's tail, or cynosure. From that we have our word cynosure, that toward which all eyes turn, as to the dog's tail for sight of the pole star .- Minneapolis Tribune.

How Nora Coaxed the Tips.

the corridor of a summer hotel when state of Georgia and compared it to an aged scrubwoman started upstairs the work that might be accomplished with a pail of water. Just then a bright faced, buxom Irish chamber-

maid came up. of ye," she said cheerily to the old day because they are cowards," said

woman. "Better let me help." upstairs with it.

"How thoughtful of Nora!" "Isn't rose to the lips of the women. The elected. proprietor of the hotel and another man also witnessed the incident.

hotel man to his companion. "She's always doing something like that when there are people looking on. She gets under the law of licensed saloon. more tips than any two other girls in spend the winter in idleness at her old home in Ireland."-New York Tribune.

Oddities of Color Blindness.

is when a person cannot distinguish tem of evil into a lawful business. one of the fundamental colors, red. green or violet. If a person is told to select colors resembling violet, he will if red blind usually select blues as well select green or gray, with possibly make everything right. while the white stars appear on a viothe flag appears a light yellowish brown, while the red stripes seem to be a darker brown.

An Idol Shattered.

make a pilgrimage to see the hero. Here is an instance:

An enthusiastic young lady admirer called on her favorite author. In speaking of her visit she said:

look at all like an author-no long. iness compel both supply and demand eyes fixed on the stars as if to read both. For money you people of the the secrets of the heavens; no musical, West open saloons to tempt men to low voice-nothing to suggest the genius. No, I found him leaning on the garden gate, in his shirt sleeves, as if he hadn't shaved in a week. He the stockholders of your biggest busiwas the most terribly human specimen ness enterprises. I ever saw."-Atlanta Constitution.

The Wickedest Bit of Sea.

Nine out of ten travelers would tell water is that cruel stretch in the English channel, and nine out of ten travelers would say what was not true. As a matter of fact, "the wickedest bit of sea" is not in the Dover strait or in yachting, for example, from St. Jean Horn, where there is what sailors call to." a "true" sea. The "wickedest sea" is encountered in rounding the Cape of Good Hope for the eastern ports of Cape Colony

What a Scotsman Wrars. A Scottish correspondent, signing

himself "Macris," teritor to us as folthat a Scotsman vicacs is kill, not bills

We regret to say that we find our selves unable to accode to our corre spondent's request. Respect for tract compels us to state that a Soutsness almost invariable wears neither a till

Quite of Hor Chining.

"Oh, I did so want to have a talk with you! I'm simply mad to go on the stage!" exclaimed a gushing young lady to a popular actor.

"Yes, I should think you would be, my dear young lady!" remarked the

Consistent.

"Why do you wear a yachting cap, deah boy? It's your brother that owns the yacht."

"Very true, old chap. This is me brother's cap."-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Beauty is part of the finished language which goodness speaks.-Eliot.

TEMPERANCE COLUMN Conducted by the McCook W. C. T. U.

MEN'S AVARICE KEEPS THE SALOON OPEN

Taking Denver as an illustration of gia, last night scored the saloon as an institution promulgated by the "money mad" and said to the delegates of the

"The greatest coward God ever made is the average politician," said Mr. Wright in that forcible style that has caused him to be styled the "Irish Burke" of Georgia. Continuing he reviewed the work that had been ac-A group of women were standing in complished in making a prohibition in Colorado and throughout the union.

"Politicians are to be found on the "This looks purty heavy for the likes prohibition band wagon in Georgia to-Mr. Wright. "In Chicago the candi-She took up the paid and whisked off dates are pledged to official anarchy before they are nominated and they she kind?" and similar expressions carry out this anarchy after they are

Mr. Wright attacked the "system" in Denver and presented it to his au-"Clever girl, that Nora," said the dience as demonstrative of what every other city in the union was subject to

"Saloons in Denver are not regulatthe house. She could afford to pay me ed," said Mr. Wright. "The system is for the privilege of working here, bigger than the men who control it. Every summer she makes enough to We have established the license system throughout the land. It is the old, old effort to get money out of shame and degradation. The people of our Color blindness, or the inability to counties and cities are selling shame distinguish certain colors, is by no and sin to the highest bidder. Through means rare. Incomplete color blindness money lust they are changing a sys-

"We are 'money mad.' Our great government is capitalizing vice through the passion for strong drink, as violets. If he is green blind, he will We have the idea that money will

some blues and violets of the brightest | "The W. C. T. U. stands for the aboshades. Violet blindness is rare. To a lition of a system inherently wrong. red blind person the American flag ap- Here in your city are men with a pears to have green and white stripes, craving for liquor. You plant saloons let field. To a green blind person the on your corners, thus capitalizing passtripes have the proper colors, but the sion and setting a price upon it. It field for the stars is red violet. To a is not the appetites of the men who violet blind person the stripes are nor- drink we have to fight, but the avarice mal, but the stars appear to be set in a of men who get their taxes paid. I dark brownish gray field. To a person never had an unkind word for the who is totally color blind the blue of drinking man or the saloon man. They pay for your great industries and you business men of Denver accept the

price through the ballot box. "If I bring no other message to the Some one has said that people that people of Denver I want you to know are fond of hero worship should never that it is avarice that is holding the saloon evil here and in every other city. I want to say to the business men-the saloon belongs to you. It is your institution. It is not the property "I'm sorry I saw him. He didn't of the saloonkeeper. The laws of buswavy hair; no dreamy expression; no and you business men are furnishing ruin. You are putting money above virtue and every business man knows swearing at a grocery boy! And his it. It is cold, practical common sense, hair was close cropped, and he looked The money from your saloons goes to

"The government can never rise higher in politics than its citizenship and the people of this nation are deinquirers that the roughest piece of bauched savages. The saloon is in the graft business, but it furnishes the graft to politicians. It is a graft in the name of license. It is official anarchy to license the saloon. There is no personal liberty and can be none de Luiz up to Pauillac or across the in this country so long as the saloon Mediterranean "race" from Cadiz to is licensed. National sin is national Tangier, nor is it in rounding Cape death and that is what we are coming



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